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A PARAMOUNT-BURTON HOLMES TRAVEL-PICTURE

The Paramount-Burton Holmes release for April 17th will be "Biskra The Beautiful". The Oasis of Biskra is an island of fertility in the great sandy sea of the Sahara. It is one of the most accessible and at the same time, most strangely interesting of the many little Sahara cities of Algeria. The life, customs and costumes of the Arab population are most curious and picturesque. The coming and going of camel convoys-- the dignified daily doings of the long-robed citizens in their market-places and cafes, the operation of the only Saharan horse-car line-- the manoeuvres of the Senegalese garrison troops offer endless opportunities for effective pictureization. The most important native chief, the Caid of Biskra, stages an impressive little ceremony for us and gives a dignified exhibition of Arabian horsemanship. The poetry of the desert trail is suggested by the passing of a caravan - camels and palm trees outlined against the Saharan sky ----

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